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SUBJ: INDIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY' S ANNUAL REPORT.

SUMMARY: INDIAN FONMINISTRY REPORT FOR 1972-73, RELEASED APRIL 2, STATES KNOWN INDIAN POSITIONS. IT TREATS INDO- US RELATIONS FRANKLY, EXPRESSING CONCERN ABOUT " LIFTING OF EMBARGO ON SUPPLY OF ARMS TO PAKISTAN" BUT THEN REITERATING FOREIGN MINISTER' S OPTIMISTIC COMMENTS OF NOVEMBER 30. BITTER CRITICISM OF US IN 1971-72 REPORT IS LACKING. " UNPRECEDENTED" BOMBING OF NORTH VIETNAM IN LATE 1972 MENTIONED BRIEFLY. SOVIET INTEREST IN ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY NOTED, AS IS INDIAN POSITION THAT THIS SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AMONG ASIANS. END SUMMARY.

1. INDO- US RELATIONS: IN MORE STRAIGHTFORWARD ACCOUNT THAN LAST YEAR' S EMOTIONAL DENUNCIATION OF US ROLE IN 1971 CRISIS, 1972/73 REPORT STATES DESIRE TO IMPROVE RELATIONS, NOTES CONCERN ABOUT MILITARY SUPPLY TO PAKISTAN (PERHAPS GIVING ERRONEOUS IMPRESSION US RESUMED SALES ALL TYPES OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO PAKISTAN) AND DIFFERENCES OVER VIETNAM, BUT CONCLUDES ON POSITIVE NOTE. FOLLOWING QUOTES OF RELEVANT PORTIONS:

" INDO- US RELATIONS CONTINUED TO BE INFLUENCED BY THE EVENTS WHICH OCCURRED IN THE SUB- CONTINENT DURING THE YEAR 1971. ALTHOUGH
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BOTH GOT MANAGER,
FT MONMOUTH, NJ

22 JUNE - DISCUSSIONS WITH SATCOM PROJECT MANAGER, FT
MONMOUTH, NJ

25 JUNE - TOUR AUTODIN, AUTOVON AND AUTOMATED COMMUNICATION
CENTERS

3. REQUEST WE BE PROVIDED WITH NAME OF AN ACTION OFFICER AND
FIRM SCHEDULE FOR PROPOSED VISIT DURING PERIOD 14 THRU 25 JUNE.

4. NICSMA HAS PROVIDED US WITH FOLLOWING HELPFUL BACKGROUND
INFORMATION.

BEGIN QUOTE:

MR. HERBERT BUCHS IS A GERMAN LIEUTENANT GENERAL ON CIVILIAN
STATUS, DIPLOMATIC DUTY, TO NATO. HE HAS HAD CONSIDERABLE
EXPERIENCE WITH PROJECT MANAGERSHIP IN HIS LAST DUTY ASSIGNMENT
AS DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, GERMAN FEDERAL ARMED FORCES. IN THIS
ASSIGNMENT HE WAS IN CHARGE OF OPERATIONS RESEARCH, PLANNING
SYSTEMS AND METHODS, COMMAND CONTROL AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS,
JOINT COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS AND DATA TRANSMISSION AND PROCESSING
SYSTEMS.

HE SPEAKS AND UNDERSTANDS ENGLISH EXTREMELY WELL, HOWEVER
THE YOUNGER, LESS EXPERIENCED BRIEFERS SHOULD BE CAUTIONED ABOUT
MILITARY SLANG AND ACRONYMS. HE IS EXTREMELY THOROUGH, SEEKS
TOTAL COMPREHENSION AND PARTICIPATES FREELY IN DISCUSSIONS OR
QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIODS. ANY BRIEFINGS PRESENTED SHOULD
ALLOW A LONG DISCUSSION PERIOD FOR CLARIFICATION AND AMPLIFICATION.

MR. BUCHS POSSESSES A COSMIC TOP SECRET ATOMAL SECURITY
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CLEARANCE. HIS PASSPORT NUMBER IS M 5427.

A US OFFICER WILL ACCOMPANY MR. BUCHS TO ASSIST IN THE
HOST OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND TRAVEL MATTERS AND PROVIDE ASSISTANCE
IN RELATING DISCUSSIONS TO THE NICSMA ENVIRONMENT.

MR. BUCHS AND THE US OFFICER ACCOMPANYING HIM WILL BE
TRAVELLING UNDER ORDERS ISSUED IN BELGIUM BY APPROPRIATE NATO
AUTHORITIES. END QUOTE.

5. USNATO SECURITY OFFICER VERIFIES THAT NATO SECURITY CLEARANCE
OF MR. BUCHS IS COSMIC TOP SECRET ATOMAL. RUMSFELD

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